

Upper Oconee Regional Water Planning Council
October 24, 2018



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Upper Oconee Council Meeting

Welcome and Introductions

- Approve Meeting Summary from June 22, 2017 UOC Meeting
- Approve October 24, 2018 UOC Meeting Draft Agenda

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Memorandum

To: Upper Oconee Regional Water Planning Council

From: Zakiya Seymour, Jacobs

Date: June 26, 2017

*Subject: Upper Oconee Council Meeting 5
Regional Water Development and Conservation Plan Adoption Draft Meeting
Summary (subject to Council review and approval)*

This memorandum provides the meeting summary of the Upper Oconee Regional Water Planning Council Meeting held on June 22, 2017 at The Plaza Arts Center in Eatonton, Georgia. This memorandum provides a summary of the items discussed at the Council Meeting that was held from approximately 10 AM to 11:45 AM.

1) Welcome and introductions/Approve Agenda

Vice Chairman Pat Graham called the meeting to order and welcomed members as well as the public to the meeting. She explained that Chairman Melvin Davis was traveling and could not attend the meeting. She turned the meeting over to the Planning Contractor who asked all present to introduce themselves. The minutes from the March 2, 2017 Council Meeting were approved following a motion by Vice Chairman Graham that was seconded by Council Member Bicknell.

2) Overview of Past Council Meetings

The first Council Meeting was held in March 2016. The next two meetings were joint meetings with other regional councils (RC). There have been 5 Council Meetings, office hour sessions, and subcommittee meetings since the Regional Water Plan (RWP) review began.

3) Review of Public Comments from Public Comment Period

The public comment period lasted 45 days and ended on May 19, 2017. The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District (MNGWPD) sent a letter to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GAEPD) dated May 19, 2017 which recognized and applauded the Region's update to the RWP and coordination with the MNGWPD's Water Resource Management Plan.



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DRAFT Agenda – October 24, 2018

The Club at Lake Sinclair, Milledgeville

3700 Sinclair Dam Road NE, Milledgeville, GA 31061 478-452-3220

Objectives:

- 1) Meet & Greet
- 2) Review Council Membership/Leadership
- 3) Review Outreach Materials & Opportunities
- 4) Review Funding Opportunities
- 5) GEFA-Funded Project Guest Speaker(s)
- 6) Review Regulatory and Permitting Activities

9:00 – 9:30 am	Registration/Meet and Greet
9:30 – 9:45	Welcome and Introductions - Chair Melvin Davis <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approve Meeting Minutes from June 22, 2017 Council Meeting• Approve Draft Meeting Agenda
9:45 - 10:00	Council Membership/Leadership Discussion - Chair Melvin Davis/Vice-Chair Pat Graham
10:00 - 10:30	Regional Water Plan Outreach - Laura Hartt, Jacobs/Lee Smith, CDM Smith <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upper Oconee RWP Fact Sheet• Upper Oconee RWP Power Point Presentation• Upper Oconee RWP Website• Upcoming Council Outreach Opportunities
10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 11:15	Grant Opportunities & Assistance - Ania Truszczynski, EPD/Michelle Vincent, Jacobs
11:15 - 12:00	GEFA-Funded Projects in the Region; Q & A - Bryce Jaeck, City of Madison; Donna Van Haute, Eatonton-Putnam WSA

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Council Membership/ Leadership Discussion (handout)

- Roles and Responsibilities
- Near-term Activities and Expectations
 - To be continued after lunch

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UOC Outreach Materials

- [Fact Sheet](#) (handout)
- Power Point Slide Show
 - Website
- Suggested Upcoming Opportunities (handout)

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BREAK

10:30-10:45

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Implementation Funding

- CWA Section 319(h) Grants
 - Seed Grants (link)
 - GEFA Grants & Loans

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Seed Grant Examples Outside Region

Middle Ocmulgee Council

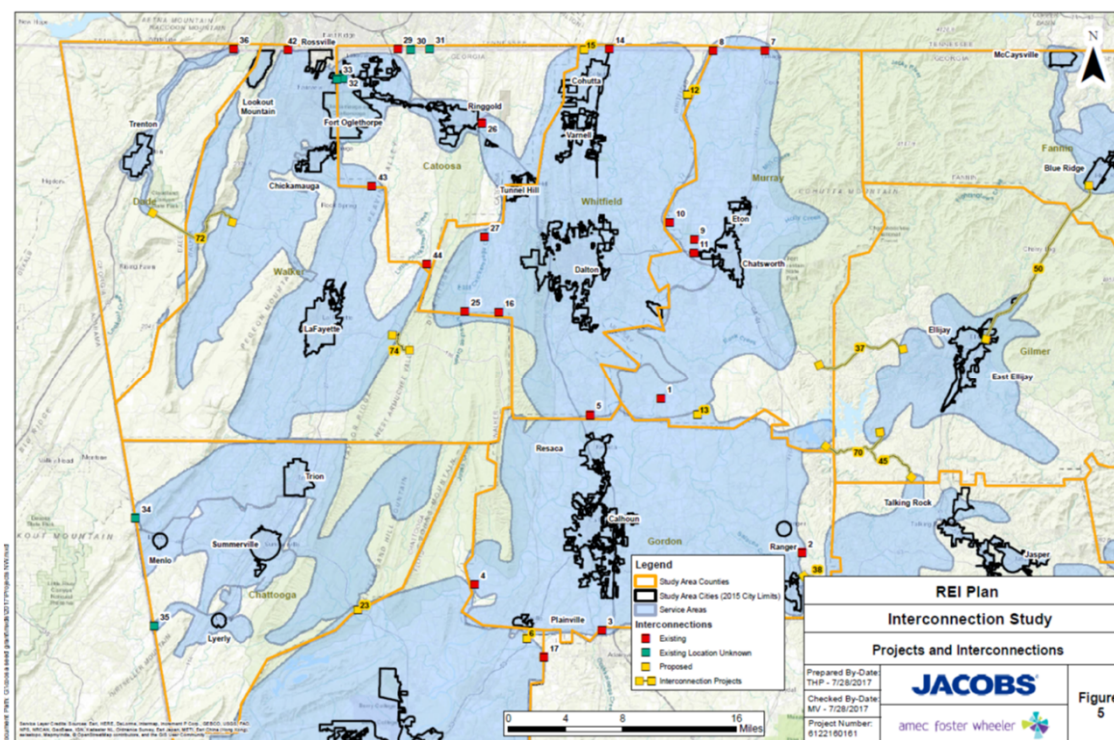
- Tracing Bromide in Surface Water Sources
 - Installing Trash Rack in South River



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Seed Grant Examples Outside Region Coosa-North Georgia Council

- Nutrient Trading Studies
- Soque River Watershed Modeling
- Interconnection Studies



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Georgia Environmental Finance Authority: Water & Sewer Financing

State

- **Georgia Fund**
 - 2.75%/1.75% (water conservation); 20 year, \$3M/year
 - water & sewer lines; treatment plants; pumping stations; wells; water storage tanks; water meters
- **Georgia Reservoir Fund**
 - 2.75%; 40 year; \$3M/year
 - new water supply reservoirs; reservoir modifications (for water supply); system interconnections; new/rehabilitated wells

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Georgia Environmental Finance Authority: Water & Sewer Financing

Federal

- ***Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)***
 - 2.25%/1.25% (water conservation); 30 years; \$25M
 - water quality; water conservation; wastewater treatment plants; repairing/replacing sewer & stormwater controls
- ***Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)***
 - 2.25%/1.25% (water conservation); 20 years, \$25M
 - health-related water supply projects; water quality, capacity, pressure, & water loss; water conservation

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Georgia Environmental Finance Authority: Water & Sewer Financing

Eligible Water Conservation Projects (Georgia Fund, CWSRF, DWSRF)

- Installing/retrofitting water efficient devices (e.g., plumbing fixtures, appliances)
- Incentive programs (e.g., rebates)
- Replacing/upgrading meters with Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) systems
- Replacing/rehabilitating distribution pipes to reduce water loss & prevent water main breaks
- Recycle and replace potable with non-potable sources

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GEFA Projects in the Region

Bryce Jaeck, GIS Planner

- City of Madison
- CWSRF
(stormwater)

Table 6-1(d):Water Quality Management Practices Selected for the Region		
Action Needed (MP)	Description/Definition of Action	Relationship of Action or Issue to Vision and Goals (Section 1.3)
WQ-7. Encourage general stormwater practices	<p>Implement practices such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Measures to minimize stormwater runoff through site planning (conservation subdivisions and other practices) and land use planning.• Stormwater system inventory and maintenance.• Preventing pollutants from reaching stormwater systems through good housekeeping or illicit discharge detection programs.• Public education.• Capital programs to develop Management Practices, regional ponds, and other watershed practices. <p>Implement post-development stormwater controls to decrease runoff velocity and promote infiltration, such as stormwater retention ponds, constructed wetlands, grassed swales, and other low-impact development methods, for new development and redevelopment areas to address hydrology and water quality.</p>	<p><u>Vision:</u> Manage water as a critical resource and develop an educated and engaged citizenry that embraces sound water management.</p> <p>Supports WS, WQ, and ES goals.¹</p>

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GEFA Projects in the Region

Donna Van Haute, Director

- Eatonton-Putnam Water & Sewer Authority
- CWSRF (wastewater)

Table 6-1(c): Wastewater Management Practices Selected for the Region		
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WW-5. Develop and implement sewer system capacity, management, operation, and maintenance (CMOM) program	Create a sewer system map. Implement sewer inspection and maintenance programs. Conduct inspection and maintenance training. Implement sewer system rehabilitation programs. Develop sewer system overflow emergency programs. Develop sewer system asset management programs.	<u>Vision:</u> Manage water as a critical resource and develop an educated and engaged citizenry that embraces sound water management. Supports WS, WQ, and BP goals. ¹

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LUNCH

12:00-12:30



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State Update

- [Regulatory & Permitting Activities](#) (link)

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Council Membership/ Leadership Discussion (handout)

- Continued

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- **Public Comments**
- **Remarks from Elected Officials**

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Next Steps

- Seed Grant or 319(h) Grant Assistance?
 - *Contact Veronica, Ania or Laura*
- More information about GEFA programs?
 - *Contact Ania or Laura*
- Assistance with Outreach Presentations?
 - *Contact Laura or Lee*
- Questions about the UOC Website?
 - *Contact Ania or Lee*
- Think about Topics for Next UOC Meeting
 - *Look for a poll, targeting first quarter of 2019*
 - *Meanwhile, send topic ideas to Laura*

Thank You!

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